was quite feminine, according to the maſculine acceptation of the word; and, ſo far from loving theſe ſpoiled brutes that filled the place which her children ought to have occupied, ſhe only liſped out a pretty mixture of French and Engliſh nonſenſe, to pleaſe the men who flocked round her. The wife, mother, and human creature, were all ſwallowed up by the factitious character which an improper education and the ſelfiſh vanity of beauty had produced.

I do not like to make a diſtinction without a difference, and I own that I have been as much diſguſted by the fine lady who took her lap-dog to her boſom inſtead of her child; as by the ferocity of a man, who, beating his horſe declared, that he knew as well when he did wrong, as a Chriſtian.

This brood of folly ſhews how miſtaken they are who, if they allow women to leave their harems, do not cultivate their underſtandings, in order to plant virtues in their hearts. For had they ſenſe, they might acquire that domeſtic taſte which would lead them to love with reaſonable ſubordination their whole family, from their huſband to the houſe-dog; nor would they ever inſult humanity

humanity in the perſon of the moſt menial ſervant by paying more attention to the comfort of a brute, than to that of a fellow-creature.

My obſervations on national education are obviouſly hints; but I principally wiſh to enforce the neceſſity of educating the ſexes together to perfect both, and of making children ſleep at home that they may learn to love home; yet to make private ſupport, inſtead of ſmothering, public affections, they ſhould be ſent to ſchool to mix with a number of equals, for only by the joſtlings of equality can we form a juſt opinion of ourſelves.

To render mankind more virtuous, and happier of courſe, both ſexes muſt act from the ſame principle; but how can that be expected when only one is allowed to ſee the reaſonableneſs of it? To render alſo the ſocial compact truly equitable, and in order to ſpread thoſe enlightening principles, which alone can meliorate the fate of man, women muſt be allowed to found their virtue on knowledge, which is ſcarcely poſſible unleſs they are educated by the ſame purſuits as men. For they are now made ſo inferiour by ignorance and low deſires, as not to deſerve to be